

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 AND
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.112 AND
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2007, in the above-referenced patent Application. The Applicant thanks the Examiner for a thorough examination.

In addition, the Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Accordingly, a payment, as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), of \$525.00 is accompanied with this response.

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